NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 48 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963 (38 of 1963), the Tariff Authority for Major Ports hereby extends the validity of the existing interim tariff arrangement for operations of the India Gateway Terminal Private Limited at the Cochin Port approved earlier, as in the Order appended hereto.

(A.L. Bongirwar)
Chairman
India Gateway Terminal Private Limited (IGTPL)  - - - -  Applicant

ORDER
(Passed on this 13th day of September 2005)

This Authority had passed an Order on 31 March 2005 approving an interim tariff arrangement for operations by the India Gateway Terminal Private Limited (IGTPL) at Rajiv Gandhi Container Terminal (RGCT) in Cochin Port Trust (COPT) for period of three months from 1 April 2005 to 30 June 2005. This Authority in the said Order had approved levy of container related charges prescribed in Scale of Rates (SOR) of the COPT as an interim tariff arrangement subject to the IGTPL filing its comprehensive proposal by 30 April 2005.

2. The IGTPL has filed a proposal along with cost statements and proposed SOR for fixation of final rates. This proposal was taken up for consideration following the usual consultation process. A joint hearing in this case was held on 17 June 2005 at the COPT. At the joint hearing the COPT, the IGTPL and the concerned users have made their submissions.

3. Subsequently, this Authority at the request of the IGTPL passed an Order on 30 June 2005 extending the interim tariff arrangement approved earlier for period of three months from 1 July 2005 till 30 September 2005 or effective date of implementation of final Scale of Rates (SOR) of the IGTPL, whichever is earlier.

4. The IGTPL has filed a recast proposal with graded increase in tariff based on the views expressed by the users and the COPT and has also furnished revised cost statement. The recast proposal and the revised cost statements filed by the IGTPL are being analysed and scrutinised.

5. Since the fixation of final rates of RGCT will require some more time and the validity of the interim tariff arrangement will expire on 30 September 2005, this Authority extends the validity of the interim tariff arrangement for further period of two months from 1 October 2005 or till the implementation of the final Order, whichever is earlier.

( A.L. Bongirwar )
Chairman